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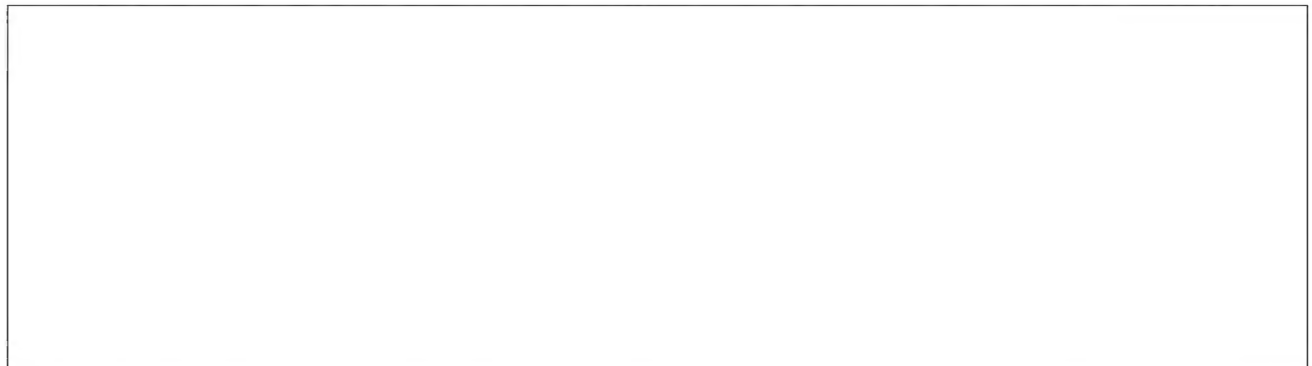
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Republican leadership meeting on the budget.



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DELIVER TO BREMER/RODMAN FOR THE SECRETARY.

MAY 9, 1974
TO: JERRY BREMER/PETER RODMAN
FOR: HENRY A. KISSINGER
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

1. THERE WAS A REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP MEETING THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS THE ECONOMY. THE ONLY ITEM OF INTEREST RELATED TO DISCUSSION OF THE BUDGET. ASH MENTIONED THAT OF THE \$113 BILLION IN THE BUDGET WHICH WAS NOT RIGIDLY PROGRAMMED, \$87 BILLION WAS IN DEFENSE, WHICH WE SHOULD PROTECT, AND THAT LEFT VERY LITTLE DISCRETIONARY FUNDS WHICH COULD BE CUT. HE THEN WENT ON WITH A HYPOTHETICAL ILLUSTRATION OF A \$5 BILLION CUT, \$2 BILLION OF WHICH HE TOOK FROM DEFENSE AND \$3 BILLION FROM A VARIETY OF IDPULAR PROGRAMS WHICH WOULD HIT THE CONGRESS IN ITS POLITICAL SOLAR PLEXUS. TOWER RESPONDED THAT WE SHOULD NOT EVEN SUGGEST CUTTING DEFENSE BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE THE FIRST THING THE CONGRESS WOULD LOOK AT IN ANY CASE. THERE THEN SEEMED TO DEVELOP A CONSENSUS IN THE GROUP THAT THE DEFENSE BUDGET WOULD BE UNDER VERY SEVERE PRESSURES THIS YEAR IN ORDER TO FINANCE OTHER DOMESTIC PROGRAMS. THIS FEELING RUNS DIRECTLY COUNTER TO SCHLESINGER'S ASSUMPTION THAT WE CAN GET WHATEVER FUNDS WE NEED FOR DEFENSE PROGRAMS. IF IT IS ACCURATE, AND THESE WERE CONGRESSMEN MOST LIKELY TO SUPPORT DEFENSE, IT UNDERCUTS ONE OF SCHLESINGER'S PRINCIPAL ARGUMENTS FOR A TOUGH "WHITE HAT" APPROACH TO THE SOVITS ON SALT.

2. [REDACTED] I HAVE TOLD THEM NOT TO RESPOND UNTIL I GOT BACK TO THEM. THEY WILL TAILOR TB ANFWEJ ANY WAY YOU WISH AND I THINK YOU SHOULD USE THIS AS YOU SEE FIT TO SUPPORT YOUR NEGOTIATING TACK. IHWILL AWAIT YOUR GUIDANCE.

3. I HAVE TALKED WITH JOHN DUNLOP. HE HAS NOT MADE A FINAL DECISION AND WILL NOT MAKE ONE WITHOUT FIRST DISCUSSING THE MATTER WITH YOU. HIS PRESENT THRUST OF MIND IS SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE, HOWEVER. WHAT HE WOULD LIKE MOST OF ALL IS TO STAY WITH HIS INFLATION JOB FOR A TIME, IN THE EVENT THE CONGRESS PASSES LEGISLATION GIVING THE CLC MONITORING AUTHORITY. HE SAYS HE HAS ALSO TALKED WITH HAIG AND TOLD HIM HE DID NOT WANT THE CEA JOB AND THAT IF HE DECIDED TO STAY IN WASHINGTON MORE OCYLESS PERMANENTLY, YOUR JOB OFFER WAS MOST ATTRACTIVE TO HIM -- BUT THAT HE WOULD MOST LIKE TO STAY ON FOR A TIME AT CLC, IF CONGRESS MAKES THAT POSSIBLE.

WARM REGARDS.

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